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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, \$4,300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$7,500,000

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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

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Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial cities in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
(Chief Manager.)
Hongkong, April 27, 1889. 303

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours are from 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1 or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, at their option, transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balance.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, before the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked on Hongkong Savings Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book is necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
G. E. NOBLE,
(Chief Manager.)
Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co.,
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND

METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED
BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES,
RITCHIE'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASS,
ADMIRALTY AND IMRAY CHARTS,
NAUTICAL BOOKS.

ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,
CHRISTIE & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED
GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY
in great variety.

D I A M O N D S

A DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest London
PATENT, SEVERLY Moderate prices. 742

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SPOON COMPETITION—300 YARDS
WILL take place NEXT SATURDAY,
18th May, at 4 p.m.

A. SHELTON HOOVER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 16, 1889. 912

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG.
No. 1165.

A. Regular MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FAS-
TENHORN HALL, Zeeland Street, THIS
EVENING, the 16th Inst., at 8.30 for 9
p.m., precisely. YESTERDAY BRETHREN are
cordially invited.

Hongkong, May 16, 1889. 883

LITERARY SOCIETY.

M. R. J. FRANCIS, Q.C., will Deliver
A LECTURE at 15 BANK BUILDINGS,
THIS EVENING, 10th May, 1889, at 9
o'clock, on 'A Visit to Borneo.'

Hongkong, May 16, 1889. 942

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

N. NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General MEETING of
the Company will be held at the Company's
Dispensary, on TUESDAY, the 28th day
of this month, at Noon, to confirm the
Special Resolutions passed at the Extra-
ordinary General Meeting held yesterday.

JOHN WILLMOTT,
Admitting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 14, 1889. 935

THE RICHMOND TERRACE ESTATE
AND BUILDING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

N. NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General MEETING of
the Company will be held at the Company's
Dispensary, on TUESDAY, the 28th day
of this month, at a Quarter after Noon,
to confirm the Special Resolution
passed at the Extraordinary General
Meeting held yesterday.

JOHN WILLMOTT,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 14, 1889. 936

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

N. NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General MEETING of
the Company will be held at the Company's
Dispensary, on SATURDAY, the 18th day
of May instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., when the
following Special Resolutions will be pro-
posed, viz.:

1.—That the Capital of the Company be
increased to the sum of \$1,600,000 by
the issue of 40,400 New Shares of \$20
each, which shall be fully paid-up as
hereinafter provided; and that the
Board be authorized to issue such New
Shares at a premium of \$15 per share,
such premium to be paid as hereinafter
provided.

2.—That the New Shares be offered to
the persons who, on the 7th day of
June 1889, shall be the Registered
Shareholders of the existing shares,
in proportion of one new share for
every existing share, and such offer
shall be made by a notice specifying
the number of new shares which each
such registered Shareholder shall be
entitled to take up, and limiting a
time within which the offer, if so ac-
cepted in writing, and accompanied
by the full amount of \$20 per share,
will be deemed to be accepted; and all non-accepted shares shall be disposed
of in such manner as at such times, and
on such conditions as the Board may
determine.

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4.—That Article No. 60 of the Company's
Articles of Association be altered by
inserting therein in lieu of the words
'five thousand Shares' the words 'fifty
thousand Shares.'

5.—That Article No. 124 of the Company's
Articles of Association be altered by
inserting therein in lieu of the words
'four hundred thousand dollars' the
words 'one million five hundred thou-
sand dollars,' and in lieu of the words
'three hundred thousand dollars' the
words 'five hundred thousand dollars.'

6.—That Article No. 124 of the Company's
Articles of Association be altered by
inserting therein in lieu of the words
'four hundred thousand dollars' the
words 'one million five hundred thou-
sand dollars,' and in lieu of the words
'three hundred thousand dollars' the
words 'five hundred thousand dollars.'

7.—That all premia on the said New Shares
be carried to the Proprietorship and
Insurance Fund mentioned in Article
No. 122 of the Company's Articles of
Association.

8.—That Article No. 60 of the Company's
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28.—That Article No. 124 of the Company's

Entertainment.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYALE,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

MADAME C. O. R. A.

THE GREAT AND ONLY

LADY ILLUSIONIST,

will give her

SECOND ENTERTAINMENT

IN THE

ART OF LEGERDEMAIN,

THIS EVENING,

10.15—May, 1889.

DO NOT FAIL TO SEE HER.

All Classes of Society are pleased with

Madame's Performances.

The Performances are unanimous in her praise,

and the Public endorses the opinion of the

Press.

ADMIRATION, \$2 AND \$1,

Soldiers and Sailors Half Price.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 p.m.

Plan and Tickets at Messrs. KELLY &

WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, May 16, 1889.

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ST. JOHN LODGE

OF HONGKONG,

No. 108, S.C.

AN Emergency MEETING of the above

Lodge will be held in the Engineering

Masons' Hall, Zoland Street, TO-MORROW

EVENING, the 17th Instant, at 8.30

for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BROTHERS

are cordially invited.

Hongkong, May 16, 1889.

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FURNISHED HOUSE IN HONGKONG

AND BUNGALOW AT KOWLOON.

TO LET.—For JUNE & JULY—the Semi-Detached HOUSE No. 2, West VILLAS, Castle Road; also, a BUNGALOW (no Sleeping Room), LAWN TENNIS GROUNDS, Kowloon, with use of 2 Rickshaws and a Chair.

For Particulars, apply to

JAMES H. COX,

11, Queen's Road, or above.

Hongkong, May 16, 1889.

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SUMMER BEVERAGES.

FOR SALE.

DAKIN'S AQUAULATED FRUIT

SYRUPS.

JARGONELLE PEAR.

LEMON.

MORELLA CHERRY.

PINEAPPLE.

RASPBERRY.

STRAWBERRY.

MIXED WITH PLAIN OR ENERGIZED WATER

FORMS A DELICIOUS DRINK.

LIME FRUIT CORDIAL.

GAZOGNES OR SELTZGENES.

FOR THE PRODUCTION OF AERATED WATER.

DAKIN & BROTHERS,

LIMITED,

DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

HONGKONG.

Telephone No. 60.

Hongkong, May 13, 1889.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

May 15, 1889.—

Nancho, British steamer, 1,100, A. M.

Cox, Manila May 13, General—RUSSELL & CO.

Anton, German steamer, 392, T. Eggers, Pahkho May 12, and Macao 13, General—WINTER & CO.

Bessie, British schooner, 228, Shaw, Western Australia via Singapore April 19; Sandalwood—STENSON & CO.

President Garfield, British steamer, 1,289, G. Cattaneo, Saigon May 12, Rio and Pady—PADDY & CO.

Kwon Lee, Chinese str., 1,500, Lao-pan, Shanghai May 12, and Swatow 15, General—C. M. S. N. CO.

Tha's, British steamer, 920, Hanter, Taiwan May 11, Amoy 13, and Swatow 16, General—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Kitzing, British a/camer, 1,405, W. O. M. Young, Shanghai May 9, General—JARDINE, MATHEISON & CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

May 16—

Juhai, for Haiphong.

Fushih, Mori for Kitchinotzu.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

Kiau-ki, for Tako and Yokohama.

French cruiser, for Shanghai.

Kutsang, for Whampoa.

CLEARED.

Fookang, for Swatow and Shanghai.

Tarpang, for Sandakan.

Chow-chow-foo, for Swatow.

Anton, for Hoitow and Pahkho.

Anton, for Hoitow and Pahkho.

Benten, for Hankow.

Nankin, for Singapore.

Hedwig, for Tientsin.

PASSENGERS,

ARRIVED.

Per Namchow, from Amoy, 26 Chinese.

Per Wyvern, from Saigon, 5 Chinese.

Per Zefiro, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs. P.

Roxas, 5 children and 3 servants, Mr. and Mrs. Togtora, 2 children and servant, Mr. J. D. Alaja, 2 children and servant, Mr. Luis Santos, and Mr. Woog, and 140 Chinese.

Per Anton, from Pahkho, 5 Chinese.

Per President Garfield, from Saigon, 33 Chinese.

Per Kwing Lin, from Shanghai, Mr. Davis and Mr. Ross, and 120 Chinese.

Per Tha's, from Taiwanfu, 35 Chinese.

Per Kutsang, from Shanghai, 2 Chinese.

DRAKET.

Per Ningpo, for Shanghai, 3 Europeans, and 20 Chinese.

Per Nankin, for Amoy, 180 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Fookang, for Swatow, 15 Chinese.

Per Chow-chow-foo, for Swatow, 100 Chinese.

Per Anton, for Hoitow, 1 European, and 30 Chinese.

Per Alice, for Hoitow, 60 Chinese.

Per Namchow, for Singapore, 736 Chinese.

NOT Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for

any Debt contracted by the Officers or

Crew of the following Vessel, during

their stay in Hongkong Harbour.

Bessie, British schooner, Captain Shaw.

Stevenson & Co.

Sourinor Cross, American ship, Capt.

J. A. Bailey, Gas Company.

Tria, American ship, Capt. C. H. Allyn.

Russell & Co.

Hongkong, May 13, 1889.

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SHIPPING REPORTS

The British steamer Wyvern reports

that light S.E. winds and fine weather

The British steamer Zefiro reports

fine, bright, calm weather throughout the

passage.

The British schooner Bessie reports

light S.E. winds and fine weather throughout the

passage.

The Chinese steamer Kwing Lin reports

moderate wind and foggy more or less.

The British steamer Thales reports

fine, bright, calm weather throughout the

passage.

The Chinese steamer Amoy reports

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The Chinese steamer Kwan Kiao reports

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Says the *Chinese Times*:—The *Pingtung*, while coming up river on the 3rd ult., struck on an anchor in some part of the river, knocking a hole in her bottom. After reaching the Bund and removing the hatches, it was discovered that the hull was full of water. Pumps were set to work, and the hole discovered and patched on the inside. The *Pingtung* was to be docked on arrival in Shanghai. A large amount of cargo was damaged and lost, so the so-called rice was an implement addition to the piles of cargo on the Bund.

The Korean correspondent of the *Shanghai Mercury* writes:—The *Si-ki* *Bukch*, to be the first steamer on the Russo-Korean line, was built at present. H. H. M. 's Consul-General, Mr. G. Hillier, arrived yesterday (30th ult.) in the *Torres Strait* from Tientsin. Mr. Hillier started Korea in 1883 in the capacity of Secretary to Sir Harry Parkes, his father-in-law, when that eminent envoy negotiated the Anglo-Korean Treaty. Mr. Hillier will replace Mr. Col. M. Ford, whose departure from Korea will be re-gretted by a large circle of friends of various nationalities. The energy, ability, sound judgment and general manner of Mr. Ford have made him exceedingly popular with all classes. He will carry away the good wishes of all who know him.

THE Chinese Times says:—The gold-mining operations on the Mow in Northern Manchuria promises to be successful. About 700 tons weight of the metal has already been received here, and the daily product is said to be some 40 ounces. Further enquiry reveals the fact that no gold, or even worth mention, comes to Peking from south of the Yellow River, but on the other hand much or most of the gold used in Southern China, a really considerable amount, comes from Peking and Shoochow. We do not know if statistics are kept of the import into Canton and Foochow of gold from Burma and Siam, but the amount cannot be large. Probably some supplies are derived from Yunnan. The statement recently made, probably for interested purposes, that Peking draws gold from Pahang is an absurdity, but may none the less have had its calculated effect upon investors.

The Ichang correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* writes:—Père Benjamin is shortly to go to Shoochow to be consecrated the new Bishop here. He has won the respect of Chinese and Europeans alike during the five or so years he has spent here, and has already built himself a memorial more lasting than many Bishops in the two solid piles of masses on beautifully decorated sites dedicated to Christian work. He is his own architect, buys his own materials, pays his workmen, supervises everything as himself, and seems to have real genius as an organizer. Although these large buildings are both now, the Roman Catholics seem for the first time to have a foothold in Ichang, and of far, among the hills, is a whole village of Christians, most of whom, I understand, are converts of many generations ago. There also the new Bishop is often to be seen supervising burning operations. And it may be prejudice, but the Christian fields seem better cultivated than the heathen fields by which they are surrounded. The best cultivated piece of ground, however, I have seen for a long time was a field of poppies above the Ichang gorge. It is just about a year ago since I saw my first tea plantation in the hills above Ningpo, unweeded, undug, the bushes thirty years old or more. Now this year I have seen opium cultivation for the first time, the poppies in beautiful straight lines, standing up tall and erect, not a speck upon their leaves, not a weed in the ground around them, which had all recently been carefully dug. They are always raising how carefully the tea plantations are seen after in India. I wonder if the poppy fields there are as well cared for as those here.

SAYS the *Japan Herald*:—There is one thing which is getting an unmitigated nuisance, and that is whistling. Among the vices and virtues Japan has adopted from the West, this barbous accomplishment is not absent. We do not know whether history records during the 2,500 years it is supposed to cover, that this nation was at any time a whistling nation. But by the vigour with which it is now indulged in by Japanese junior, it would seem to have been discovered for the first time. Every boy that goes out with a 'chit' commences to whistle from the time he leaves the office to the time he returns. In the narrower thoroughfares where there is no other noise to mitigate the sound of these discordant strains the result is most irritating to those who have work to do. Like most Japanese vices, or what passes for music, there is not to be found in these whistles, a circumstance which tends to make the matter worse. The sounds emitted resemble, the first attempts of a most irritating new-born baby. Lacking a Municipal Council, as we do, there does not seem much prospect that we shall be relieved from this growing nuisance, which the extends to the 'Blin' in the evening, which as much as they like in their own quarters, but the Settlement is small enough in all coincidence that it is hard we cannot have at any rate peace and quietness within its limits.

On the 1st of April, the Taotai at Chefoo, Sheng Hsien-hsien, telegraphed to the *Tsing-ti* *Tsien-tien* that the northern bank of the Yellow River in the P'u Chow department had given way, and that a breach had been made measuring 130 chong. A copy of this telegram having been submitted to the Throne, the Emperor, in great surprise, that such a catastrophe should have occurred at a season when the water was so low, and ordered the Governor of Shantung to furnish a full telegraphic report on the subject. The Governor telephoned a reply denying the report, and he did not state the circumstances to which it seems to have owed its origin. The bed of the river in Shantung he remarks, very narrow, and the embankments are always exposed to much danger from the violence of the current, the direction of which is constantly changing owing to the alluvial deposit with which it is charged. On the 26th and 27th, it blew a strong gale from the south-west, and the banks and part of the embankment were carried away, but by the combined efforts of the civil and military authorities, who worked night and day, an inner circle of embankment was constructed some six or seven feet higher than the water, and an overflow was prevented. This was carried for a distance of 610 chong, and over 3,000 men were kept constantly employed in its construction. This is an accurate account of what occurred during the peach blossom season, and the memory of the disaster has been averted for the present. —*Chinese Times*.

THE number of American girls who find English husbands, says a correspondent, has often enough been made the subject of remark, but one result of this interchange of country between Great Britain and the United States has been lost entirely, if not altogether overlooked. The fact is that London society is becoming more and more leavened with an American element. It is not simply that the number of Americans is on the increase over Europe for a hundred years, increasing, but the number of wealth Americans who are making London their headquarters is very largely on the increase. A variety of reasons contribute to bring about this result. One is that the number of American girls who find homes over here materially attracts some of their friends and relations, but another very powerful reason is that many Americans who have lived in Paris have transferred their establishments to London. An American friend of mine, who is himself a resident in London, mentioned the other day upwards of twenty American families of his acquaintance who had recently taken houses in London, and some of them had purchased large houses at great expense. 'That looks,' he said, 'as if they meant to stay.' The American description of Paris may be traced largely to the fact that society there is not what it was even in the early days of the Republic, and partly to the fear lest the French capital may prove even an uncomfortable place of residence for a peaceful American citizen with no interest in the national policies of the country. Even the great exhibition will, in the opinion of many, attract as many Americans to London as to Paris, since a journey of less than eight hours separates the two cities, and London is a much cheaper place to live in than Paris will be during the Exhibition.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held this afternoon. Present:—H. E. Excellency Sir G. Willing, Des Voeux, Governor; Hon. Frederick Stewart, Colonial Secretary; Hon. A. J. Leach, Acting Attorney-General; Hon. H. E. Wodehouse, Acting Colonial Treasurer; Hon. N. G. Mitchell Innes, Acting Registrar General; Hon. W. H. Shing, Hon. P. Ryrie, Hon. C. P. Chater, Hon. B. Layton, Hon. J. J. Keswick, and Mr. S. Clark, Clerk of the Councils. Absent: Hon. J. Stewart Lockhart.

FINANCIAL.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table a recommendation to vote the sum of \$3,400 for repairing the damage caused to roads outside the city by the storm of the 29th March. The vote was referred to the Finance Committee.

NATURALIZATION ORDINANCE.

An ordinance for the naturalisation of Li Man Hi, otherwise known as Pokshaw, was read at first time.

AMENDING ORDINANCES.

There were read a first time a bill to amend Ordinance 17 of 1887 (The Cattle Diseases, Slaughter-houses, and Markets Ordinance) and a bill to amend the Post Office Ordinance, 1887.

His Excellency—Bills taking the first reading of the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, in order to explain the circumstances under which it is introduced. It will be the resolution of hon. members that the year before last the Public Health Ordinance was introduced. In it were certain clauses on the subject of leprosy, which gave rise to a very large amount of discussion, and for which reasons appeared good to my predecessor were omitted from that ordinance. I found, however, introduced, however, into an ordinance we have recently passed on the subject of the construction of buildings. On inquiry into the matter, I found that while there were strong reasons for improvement in the direction desired, on the whole it seemed to me that the evils which would be created by these clauses would be greater than those they would remove. On the other hand I was quite satisfied that the evils existed. I want my self and saw some twenty Chinese houses of a type which certainly struck me as very remarkable, and which I sold by old residents in China, would not exist in China itself. I made open to objections such as house, etc. Then comes the question of resumption. Resumption under the present system is certainly unsatisfactory. Although it may be said that those who leave in Hongkong does so with the condition before him that if the Government wants to resum it may be required to be returned, the Surveyor-General fixing the compensation—then rebuilding the houses ourselves, or as I think would be preferable selling the land with the conditions to build houses of a kind and contractions such as satisfies sanitary requirements. Those who know a great deal about the subject think it highly possible that the Government may lose nothing by this, that the run on these improved houses will be such that the Government will be repaid for the cost of land by these backyards. 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